

House of Representatives

File No. 668

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 5440 As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner May 2, 2018

AN ACT CONCERNING BUSINESS REGISTRATION, LICENSING AND PERMITTING THROUGH THE STATE'S ELECTRONIC BUSINESS PORTAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The information and
 - telecommunications systems executive steering committee, established
- 3 in subsection (b) of section 4d-12 of the general statutes, in consultation
- 4 with the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
- 5 and the Connecticut Economic Resource Center, shall study the
- 6 expansion of the state's electronic business portal, established pursuant
- 7 to section 3-99d of the general statutes, to serve as a centralized and
- 8 streamlined business registration, license and permit filing system. The
- 9 goals of such system shall include, but not be limited to, shortening
- 10 agency processing time and improving communication among state
- agencies and between state agencies and businesses. Such system shall:
- 12 (1) Allow a business to create a single online account connected to
- multiple state agencies; (2) allow a business to register with and apply
- 14 for and renew licenses and permits from such agencies through such

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system; (3) allow a business to pay any registration, license or permit fees through such system; and (4) include a messaging component that allows such agencies to provide notifications to a business about the status of any business registrations, licenses, permits and applications. Such system shall allow agencies to maintain their own back-end databases for managing business registrations, licenses and permits.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2019, the information and telecommunications systems executive steering committee shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to commerce and government administration. Such report shall include the feasibility of designing and implementing a system as described in subsection (a) of this section, the state agencies that could or should be involved in such system, an estimated cost for the design, implementation and maintenance of such system and a proposed process and timeline for the design and the implementation of such system.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill has no fiscal impact by requiring the information and telecommunications systems executive steering committee to study the state's electronic business portal. It is anticipated that the committee will have the expertise available that are necessary to complete the study.

House "A" eliminates the one-time cost of \$15,000 in the underlying bill by the information and telecommunications systems executive steering committee to complete the study, in lieu of the Secretary of State and the Department of Economic and Community Development.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

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OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5440 (as amended by House "A")

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Commerce Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/27/2018)